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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Petition for Cancellation

Notice is hereby given that the following party requests to cancel indicated registration.

Petitioner Information

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Registration Subject to Cancellation

Registration No	3529699	Registration date	11/11/2008
Registrant	Nguyen, Thanh Suite 112 1037 State Road 7 Wellington, FL 33414 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Subject to Cancellation

Class 043. First Use: 2006/12/15 First Use In Commerce: 2006/12/15
All goods and services in the class are cancelled, namely: bar services

Grounds for Cancellation

Other	The mark does not function as a mark under 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053, and 1127 because the mark is used solely as a trade name; THE MARK DOES NOT CREATE A SEPARATE COMMERICAL IMPRESSION AS A MARK functioning as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127; the term does not function as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127 because the drawing and the mark shown in the specimen do not agree; because the specimen does not show the mark functioning as a source designator for bar services under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and
	services under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127.

Related Proceedings	91202097
Attachments	Petition to Cancel TIPSY with exhibits.pdf (14 pages)(1181313 bytes)

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Name	Wendy Peterson
Date	03/29/2012

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the matter of Trademark Registration No 3529699

For the mark "TIPSY"

Registered on November 11, 2008

Barry Biondo dba Tipsy Spa and Salon

vs.

Thanh Nguyen

PETITION TO CANCEL

Petitioner: Barry Biondo DBA Tipsy Spa and Salon

5704 Lago Del Sol Dr

Lake Worth FL 33449

The above-identified Petitioner believes that it will be damaged by continued registration of the mark shown in the above-identified application, and hereby petitions to cancel the same.

Based upon information and belief, Petitioner avers the following regarding the continued registration of the mark TIPSY:

1. Standing is not at issue: Petitioner's application for the design trademark TIPSY SPA SALON SN 85272051 has been opposed by Registrant citing Registrant's mark TIPSY as a basis. See the TSDR status record for TIPSY SPA SALON in Exhibit A. See TMBP 309.03(b) Standing.

- 2. Petitioner has shown standing on one ground, and now has the right to assert any other grounds in a Cancellation proceeding, See TMBP 309.03(b) Standing.
- 3. A record that supports the conclusion that Registrant's proposed mark was not in use, in this case not functioning as a mark or failing to function as a source designator, at the time of filing of its application supports that the application is void ab initio.

 SHUTEMDOWN SPORTS, INC. v. LACY (TTAB 2012).
- 4. Petitioner's grounds for this Petition to Cancel are related solely to the Registrant's mark as it stands on the Application File for SN 77093533 and does not deal with any of the issues in the civil proceeding or the opposition proceeding 91202097 other than to give Petitioner standing to bring this proceeding.
- 5. Registrant Thanh Nguyen applied for the standard character mark TIPSY for the services *nail*, *hair cutting and spa services*; *bar services* in application SN 77093533 on January 29, 2007 under Section 1(a).
- 6. On July 9, 2008, Registrant amended the services to *bar services* in order to overcome a continuing likelihood of confusion refusal.
- 7. The application and specimen of use submitted by Registrant does not support the registration and is void ab initio for several independent grounds. Before there can be a registration, there must be a trademark. *In re Bose Corporation, d/b/a Interaudio Systems*, 546 F.2d 893, 192 USPQ 213, 215 (CCPA 1978).
- 8. MARK IS USED SOLELY AS A TRADE NAME. The subject matter for Registration 3529699 does not function as a mark (15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053, and 1127) because the mark is used solely as a trade name (TMEP §1202.01).
- 9. Files described as "Digital photograph of advertisements" labeled as Specimen File 1 shown in Exhibit B1 and Specimen File 2 shown in Exhibit B2 were submitted with the application.
- 10. Specimen File 1 does not identify bar services.
- 11. Specimen File 1 identifies the business name, TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON, and business address, like a letterhead and has no descriptive portion for *bar services*.
- 12. In Specimen File 1, neither TIPSY nor TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON is being used as a trademark for *bar services*. *In re Reinforced Molding Corporation*, 152 USPQ 820, 821 (TTAB 1967). In re Monograms America, Inc., 51 USPQ2d 1317 (TTAB 1999).

- 13. Specimen File 1 causes the term TIPSY to fail to function as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127. The registered *bar services* are not shown in any way.
- 14. In order to judge if specimen(s) of use shows a term functioning as a mark, one must looking at all the multiple uses of the term on the specimens, considering them individually and their entire impression. *In RE Supply Guys, Inc.* (TTAB 2008).
- 15. Specimen File 2 also fails to show the term TIPSY functioning as a mark for *bar services*.
- 16. Specimen File 2 does not contain the terms TIPSY Bar, TIPSY Bar Services or even TIPSY SPA AND SALON Bar Services.
- 17. Specimen File 2 does not contain the term TIPSY with an term equivalent or representing bar services such as TIPSY [plus term equivalent to bar], TIPSY [plus term equivalent to bar services] or even TIPSY SPA AND SALON [plus term equivalent to bar services].
- 18. Specimen File 2 does not contain the direct association between the alleged mark, TIPSY, and the services for which registration is sought, *bar services*. *In re Adair*, 45 USPQ2d 1211 (TTAB 1997). Individually, Specimen File 2 also shows only trade name use or trademark use for nail services.
- 19. Specimen File 2 does not overcome the impression from Specimen File 1 to show any use except trade name use or trademark use for nail services.
- 20. The entire impression is that TIPSY is a solely a trade name or a trademark for nail services. The application and registration for TIPSY for bar services is void ab initio on this basis alone.
- 21. TIPSY DOES NOT CREATE A SEPARATE COMMERICAL IMPRESSION AS A MARK. Additionally and independently, Registrant's specimen of use does not show the term TIPSY functioning as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127 because Registrant's specimen of use does not show TIPSY in a commercial impression separately from TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON in either specimen file. The size, appearance, and dominance of the word TIPSY does not differentiate it from the commercial impression of the phrase TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON. See TMEP 1202.03(a). TIPSY is not used as a single

- distinct term, it is used as an adjective in the trade name. NAIL SPA AND SALON are not descriptive or generic words for *bar services* and are a distinctive part of the commercial impression when used with TIPSY. The terms TIPSY and NAIL SPA AND SALON are not separable. *In re National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence*, 218 USPQ 745 (TTAB 1983).
- 22. TIPSY does not function as a mark but rather as an inseparable part of the term TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON with no distinct commercial impression for *bar services*. The application and registration for TIPSY for bar services is void ab initio on this basis alone.
- 23. 'TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON' (shown in specimen) IS AN IMPERMISSIBLE MUTILATION OF TIPSY (shown in drawing). TIPSY for *bar services* is in no way differentiated from the commercial impression of the phrase TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON in Specimen File 1. See TMEP 1202.03(a). TIPSY is not used as a single distinct term, it is used as an adjective in the trade name TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON (or the trademark for nail services TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON). The words NAIL SPA AND SALON are not descriptive or generic words for *bar services* and are therefore a distinctive part of the commercial impression when used with TIPSY and are not separable. *In re National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence*, 218 USPQ 745 (TTAB 1983).
- 24. TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON is an impermissible mutilation of the drawing of TIPSY.
- 25. When the 'drawing' and specimen do not agree, the term does not function as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127. The application and registration for TIPSY for bar services is void ab initio on this basis alone.
- 26. 'NAIL' IS AN IMPERMISSIBLE MUTILATION OF THE MARK 'TIPSY'
 Specimen File 1 shows no trademark use of any term for *bar services*. (Exhibit B1.)
 Specimen File 2 shows the term NAIL (Bar) as the only potential mark for bar services.
 "For Your Enjoyment we offer a Nail Bar Serving Beer and Wine." (Exhibit B2.)
- 27. This mention of Nail Bar is the only direct association between *bar services* to any potential mark in either specimen file.

- 28. NAIL, the only term in either specimen that shows any trademark use for bar services, is an impermissible mutilation of the mark in the drawing 'TIPSY'. When the 'drawing' and specimen do not agree, the mark does not function as a mark under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127.
- 29. TIPSY AS A TERM MERELY PROVIDES INFORMATIONAL MATTER. TIPSY in Specimen File 1 merely informs potential customers of the name of the business at a particular location.
- 30. TIPSY in Specimen File 2 merely informs potentials customers of multiple features of the TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON, that potential customers may feel tipsy if they drink while they are receiving spa or salon services and alternatively that nail services are services for the tips of their fingers.
- 31. Specimen File 2 supports both of these informational matters by showing a drinking glass with finger tips rising from the glass in close proximity to the phrase TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON.
- 32. Separately or together, Specimen Files 1 and 2 do not show TIPSY functioning as a source designator for *bar services* in a manner sufficient to imbue the term with source identifying significance to set it apart from the nail services or finger tip services offered by the business TIPSY NAIL SPA AND SALON. *In re Aerospace Optics, Inc.*, 78 USPQ2d 1861 (TTAB 2006). TIPSY fails to function as a source designator for bar services under Trademark Act Sections 1, 2, 3 and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051, 1052, 1053 and 1127. The application and registration for TIPSY for bar services is void ab initio on this basis alone.

The continuance of a federal registration for Registrant will unjustly harm Petitioner's rights in the mark. The four corners of the record, with no requirement for any facts outside this pleading, support the conclusion that Registrant's proposed mark was not in use, in this case not functioning as a mark and failing to function as a source designator, at the time of filing of the application. As such, the application is void ab initio. Petitioner respectfully requests that the Cancellation is sustained in favor of Petitioner.

Submitted By: /Wendy Peterson/ Date: March 29, 2012

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 29, 2012, the foregoing was served upon Registrant's attorney by first class mail to:

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Exhibit A

Latest Status Info (TSDR) TIPSY SPA SALON SN 85272051

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Mark: TIPSY SPA SALON



US Serial Number: 85272051 Application Filing Date: Mar. 21, 2011

Register: Principal

Mark Type: Service Mark

Status: An opposition after publication is pending at the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. For further information, see TTABVUE on the

Trademark Trial and Appeal Board web page.

Status Date: Oct. 14, 2011

Publication Date: Sep. 20, 2011

Mark Information

Mark Literal Elements: TIPSY SPA SALON

Standard Character Claim: No

Mark Drawing Type: 3 - AN ILLUSTRATION DRAWING WHICH INCLUDES WORD(S)/ LETTER(S)/NUMBER(S)

Description of Mark: The mark consists of the term "TIPSY" above the terms "SPA? SALON" with a linedrawing of a martini glass to the right.

Color(s) Claimed: Color is not claimed as a feature of the mark.

Disclaimer: "SPA" AND "SALON"

Design Search Code(s): 11.03.15 - Champagne glasses; Glasses with stems; Goblets; Stemware (glasses); Wine glasses

26.01.02 - Circles, plain single line; Plain single line circles

Goods and Services

Note:

The following symbols indicate that the goods and services have been amended after registration of the Mark. Double parenthesis ((...)) identify any goods no claimed in Section 15 affidavit; Single brackets [..] indicate deleted goods; and, Single asterisks *..* identify additional (new) wording in the goods.

For: Day spa services, namely, nail care, manicures, pedicures and nail enhancements; Hair salon services, namely, hair cutting, styling,

coloring, and hair extension services

Class Status: 6 - ACTIVE International Class: 044

Basis: 1(a)

Basis Information (Case Level)

 Filed Use: Yes
 Currently Use: Yes
 Amended Use: No
 No

 Filed ITU: No
 Currently ITU: No
 Amended ITU: No
 Amended ITU: No

 Filed 44D: No
 Currently 44D: No
 Amended 44D: No
 Amended 44E: No

Filed 66A: No Currently 66A: No Filed No Basis: No Currently No Basis: No

Current Owner(s) Information

Owner Name: Biondo, Barrry

DBA, **AKA**, **Formerly**: DBA Tipsy Spa and Salon **Owner Address**: 5704 Lago Del Sol Dr

Lake Worth, FLORIDA 33449

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Legal Entity Type: INDIVIDUAL Citizenship: UNITED STATES

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Exhibit B1

Specimen File 1 for Application SN 77093533

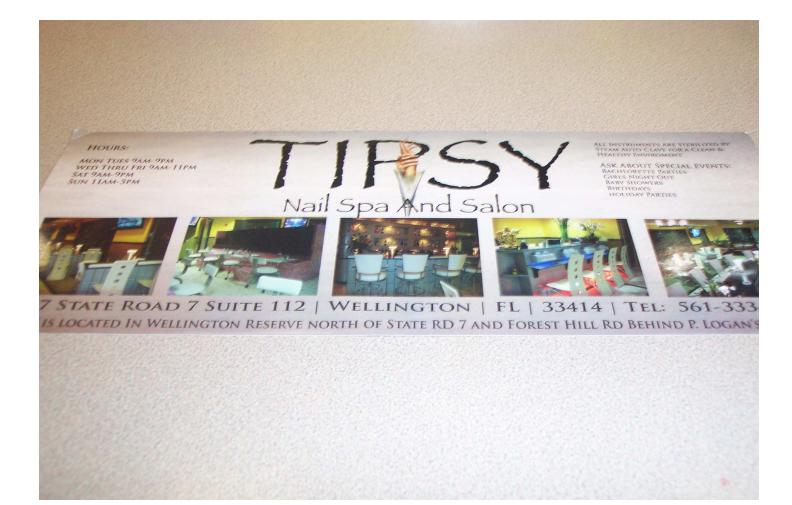


Exhibit B2

Specimen File 2 for Application SN 77093533

